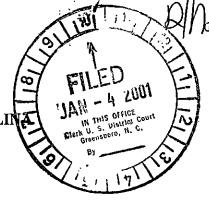


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLIN



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

VS.

JAMES ANTHONY SAVAGE, also known : 1:01 CR 362-1

as Mario J. Racanelli, John Racanelli, Mark

Racanelli, Grandoni Egistot, Egisto Grandoni, :

Robert Toliano, M. John Delano, Greg Eric

Masonotti, and Max Marrache

MARGARET NATHALIE HANDSMAN, : 1:01 CR 362-2 also known as Marnie Handsman, Margaret : SUPERSEDING

Racanelli, and Marnie Racanelli

MOTION TO SUPPRESS RECORDED PHONE CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN MR. SAVAGE AND MS. JEAN FOSTER

NOW COMES the defendant, James Anthony Savage, by and through counsel and respectfully moves this Honorable Court to enter an Order prohibiting the government from introducing into evidence recorded phone conversations that allegedly took place between James Savage and Ms. Jean Foster. As grounds for said Motion the defendant respectfully shows the following:

- James Anthony Savage and Margaret Nathalie Handsman are presently under indictment for alleged fraudulent activity taking place from on, about or before November of 1996 through October of 2000.
- 2. The indictment alleges thirty two counts, both defendants are named in all but Counts

- Thirty and Thirty-One, said counts naming only defendant Savage.
- 3. The crux of the government's allegations is the alleged swindling of various people, including Ms. Jean Foster, a resident of the Middle District of North Carolina.
- 4. On or about September 1999 Ms. Jean Foster contacted law enforcement personnel regarding someone she knew as "Mario Racanelli." Ms. Foster had became suspicious of "Racanelli" (who is the defendant James Savage) and sought help from the Winston-Salem Police Department.
- 5. The police responded and ultimately Ms. Foster was interviewed by various agents of local and federal law enforcement agencies. The interviews were extensive and Ms. Foster ostensibly attempted to assist the authorities in their investigation into defendant Savage's activities.
- 6. Following several of these interviews with law enforcement authorities Ms. Foster taped several phone conversations between herself and defendant Savage.
- 7. Based on Title 18 U.S.C. § 2511(d) and § 2515 the interceptions made by Ms. Jean

 Foster were obtained in violation of existing federal law and are accordingly inadmissable in the trial of the above captioned case.
- 8. The aforementioned recordings were obtained in violation of the defendant's rights as guaranteed by the Fourth and Fifth Amendments to the United States Constitution.

WHEREFORE the defendant Savage respectfully moves that this court enter an Order suppressing the introduction into evidence of the aforementioned recordings at the trial of the above captioned case.

This the 3rd day of January, 2002.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the undersigned, on the 3 cd day of January, 2002 served the attached MOTION TO SUPPRESS RECORDED PHONE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN MR. SAVAGE AND MS. JEAN FOSTER to the following person named below and by depositing said envelope and its contents in the United States mail:

Cliffton Barrett Assistant United States Attorney Post Office Box 1858 Greensboro, N.C. 27402

This the $\frac{3rd}{d}$ day of January, 2002.

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